Bob Stallman President

American Farm Bureau Federation

Bob Stallman, a rice and cattle producer from Columbus, Texas, is president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, the nation's largest and most influential general farm organization. The 11th president in the organization's history, Mr. Stallman was first elected president on Jan. 13, 2000.

Prior to becoming AFBF President, Mr. Stallman was president of the Texas Farm Bureau. He became a member of AFBF's board of directors in 1994.

A 1974 honors graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, Mr. Stallman joined the family farm operation in 1975.

In addition to Farm Bureau involvement, Mr. Stallman has been selected to serve on various state and federal committees. In 2007, the President appointed Mr. Stallman to serve as a member of the White House Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations (ACTPN).



In June 2001, Mr. Stallman began serving on the Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy (ACIEP), the State Department's principal advisory panel regarding international economic issues.

From 2001 until 2011, Mr. Stallman served on the board of trustees for the Farm Foundation, a nonprofit organization.

In 1996, the Texas Governor appointed Mr. Stallman to the Citizen's Committee on Property Tax Relief. That same year, Mr. Stallman was appointed by then-House Agriculture Committee Chairman Pat Roberts to the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture, a panel that proposed recommendations on farm policy for Congress and the administration.

In 2010, Mr. Stallman was elected chairman of the newly formed U.S. Farmers and Ranchers Alliance (USFRA). The USFRA is an effort specifically targeted at increasing consumers' trust in modern food production.

From 2010 until 2014, Mr. Stallman served on the board of trustees for the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST) in 2010. CAST is a nonprofit organization composed of scientific societies and many individual, student, company, nonprofit, and associate society members.

The Texas Senate and House have passed resolutions recognizing him as a farmer, leader and "champion of agriculture." He was also honored by the Texas A&M University as the school's 2008 Distinguished Texan in Agriculture.

A member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Columbus, Texas, Mr. Stallman is married to Stacey Lynne Bryan. He has two daughters: Kimberly Willingham and son-in-law Daniel; and Angela Kulhanek and son-in-law Devin. He has eight grandchildren: Ashley, Brooke, Blake and Aaron Kulhanek; Kinley, Cole, Danna and Caleb Willingham.